- Sokolac Town from the 14th century with the chapels of the Holy Trinity and St. Fabian and Sebastian from the late Romanesque period - Church of St. Vitus from the 14th century, one of the oldest sacral build-

- stone bridge across Gate - Jaruga stream in the centre of Brinje on the old Josephine Road, more than 200 years of age - Rokina bezdana Cave and Siničić Cave near Letinac village

Fishing on Lake Brodić where a hunting home has been erected

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Features of interest

 Ruins of Fortica, a Medieval rectangular fortification; one part of the fortification is arranged and open and named Mediterranean Garden Kava

– Ruins of St. Karlo Boromejski (St. Charles Borromeo) from 1710 next to which there is a monument dedicated to Sime Starčević - author of the first grammar in the Croatian language

 Capuchin monastery with the painting of the Last Supper by Cristoforo Tasca and the parish church of St. Joseph built in 1712 during the time of

– Remains of the Church of St. Vitus from the 13th century (Drvišica - Vidovac)

Activities and events

 Walk along the 3 km Teresiana Trail that starts with Baška Oštarija 924m n/m with a wonderful view of the Adriatic

 Alpine zone Dabarski kukovi (about 15 km from Karlobag): Visibaba/Agin kuk, Čelina kuk and Rujičin kuk

- Premužić Trail that begins in Baška Oštarija(54 km in length) nternational Art Colony and Children's Art Colony at the beginning of August Classical music concerts and culture and entertainment evenings entitled Karlobag Summer(July - September) Karlobag Carnival January - February

Karlobag City Tourist Board



Features of interest

Velebit is the largest mountain range in Croatia, around 145 kilometres in length and 30 km in width, and spreading up to 10 km south The value and beauty of nature on Velebit have long been acknowledged and the entire range was included in 1978 in the world network of biosphere reserves within the UNESCO programme of "Man and the Biosphere" (MAB) or Velebit is the ideal destination for all those who give the precedence to an active vacation and spending time outdoor. There are many marked mountain trails on Velebit. Along the entire mountain range there are more than 20 climber's lodgings, and shelters for the accommodation of mountaineers.

The peaks of North and Central Velebit, from Zavižan to Baška Oštarija are connected by the 57km-long Premužić Trail named after its designer and builder Ante Premužić (1889 - 1979). It was built from 1930 to 1933. The trail is protected since 2009 as Croatian cultural heritage.

The entire mountain range area is a protected nature park, and North Velebit and Paklenica are national parks.

Activities and events

– a visit of the **Velebit** Botanical Gardens and a visit to Zavižan climber's lodgings (1676 m above sea level) meteorological station and viewpoint from which a great number of Croatian islands can be seen , and, on clear days, even the coast of Italy

- cycling and mountain trails, educational trails, alpinism, caving, birdwatching, walking on Premužić Mountain Trail for visitors of all ages, photo safari of mountain endemic plants and wild animals – Up on Zavižan Cycling – end of June

"St. Anthony's in Krasno" celebration of the festivity of St. Anthony, patron saint of the parish of Krasno - mid June Among the numerous events of traditional sports manifestations there is

also the Traditional Products' Fair presenting products from local traditional crafts as well as culinary specialties of the Krasno region. - the feast of the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary -15 August

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Starigrad-Paklenica, Starigrad-Paklenica, Tel.: +385 (0)23 369-155 www.np-paklenica.hr



Features of interest

– Novalja Town Museum with a rich ethnographic collection and a permanent

 Talijanova buža – an ancient subterranean water system built in the 1st century AD, in the Roman period, completely carved in stone, about 1 100 m in length and up to 70 cm in width, with the entrance from the museum and

only the first part can be visited. – the Caska region where lately researches of the Roman settlement Cissa have been intensified and according to legend it was destroyed by the earthquake in the 4th century.

- the Stomorica archaeological collection preserves numerous objects and remains of sacred buildings from the bygone past of Novalja - the Gothic Church of the Mother of God from Ružarija in the centre of the town.

Activities and events

 Cycling Novalja – Lun - Novalja. Stogaj locality near Metajne for climbing enthusiasts – Novalja Cultural Summer – begins on the eve of St. Anthony's – Novalja Day (the feast of St. Anthony, 13 June) and lasts till September It consists of numerous cultural, art, entertainment and sports performances. - The exhibition of Pag sheep and cheese is held on the first weekend in July

- Lunj Olive Feast is held in May in Lun or Jakišnica





Novalja beaches

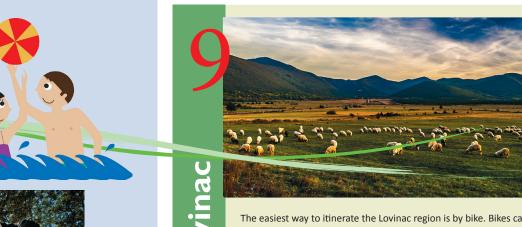
–Zrće (Blue flag), the most beautiful and world known beach at 1.5 km from Novalja – with disco clubs and many café bars for all-day and night entertainment.

- Planjka (Trinćel) is situated to the north of Novalja (blue flag), - Straško (blue flag) with a campsite bearing the same name and south of Novalja. - Braničevica is situated right next to Straško.

- Caska is situated east of Novalja, in the cove bearing the same name

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well as fishing in the Lika River.

Grabovača Cave Park Public Institute

Perušić Tourist Board

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www.tz-perusic.hr

The easiest way to itinerate the Lovinac region is by bike. Bikes can be rented in the PZ Lovinac building. The entire area is connected by four cycling trails.

The main attractions are Grabovača Cave Park, Fort Frankopan / Old Town

Perušić Tower and the church of the Sublime Holy Cross offering a lovely

view of the whole locality, the Lika River and Lake Krušćica, Kosin stone

bridge from the 16th cent, Czar fir tree – the biggest fir tree in Europe

and the biggest on Velebit, archaeological site Pisani kamen – the first

known international arbitration, archaeological site Kosinjska printing

house – the first printing house in the Slavic South. Besides walking, hik-

ing, cycling, kayak and other types of outdoor recreation, in the summer

months one can bathe in the Lika River or raft on Lake Kruščica. Hunting

is permitted in the nearby hunting grounds if in possession of a licence as

Features of interest

/elebit peaks: Sveto brdo (1753 m above sea level) and Babin vrh (1744 m above sea level) and the natural (karst) and artificial lakes Štikada and Sveti Rok, then the Japodine ruins: Cvituša and Rukavinska ruins, Turska kula in Vranik, Zdunić kula in Smokrić from 1744, Travić Mill from the



Features of interest

Nehaj Fortress, built in the mid 15th century, the symbol of the city of

Senj and an entire epoch of Croatian and European history The Cathedral of the Assumption of the Holy Virgin Mary, the most notable religious and cultural monument in Senj city, built in the 12th century – The Church of St. Mary of Arta, a votive church of sailors from Senj, ship models, situated in Poets' Park

- The town walls with towers (Lipica Tower, Leonova Tower, Šabac, Trybenad) - The Great Gate, the end of the Josephine Road and entrance into the city - The city museum is in the palace belonging to the Vukasović family - Remains of the Senj Tablet dating from around 1100 and written in

– Uskočka Street and Cilnica Square, an example of Medieval architecture Sundial built on the Adriatic Highway, in the northern part of the city - Zavratnica, a cove on the road from Senj to Karlobag, 1 km from Jablanac

Activities and events

- Mardi Senj, the oldest carnival manifestation in Croatia which has been

taking place for over 350 years: January, February Uskok Days Manifestation, a remake of the events and customs from the time Nehaj Fortress was built: July - Sambastico - Samba Festival in Senj: July

- Senj North Adriatic Dalmatian Harmony Singing Groups' Festival: July - Sailing regatta and Fisherman's Feast in July

Senj Concert Evenings: July, August

 International Senj Summer Carnival: August – Homemade is the best-fair of traditional products, August

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FISH. Trout from clean rivers and lakes in Lika and Gacka and sea fish from the island of Pag are an excellent delicacy for those who prefer "light" food. Well-known dishes: baked, boiled trout, trout pâtés, saur from the sland of Pag.



Features of interest

The town of Otočac is the centre of the Gacka region, one of the oldest localities with inhabitants of Croatian nationality which sprang on the natural island in the middle of the Gacka River

- the Gacka Museum in the centre of the town has a rich ethnographic and archaeological collection (visits every week day from 8am to 3 pm). – Mlinice on Majerovo vrilo in Sinac from which flows the Sinačka pučina, the biggest right tributary of the Gacka River - the Gacka River has more than three sources, and the biggest is Tonković vrilo on the southeastern edge of the Gacka Valley – the Mother of God from Karmela shrine - Kuterevo



Activities and events

cycling trails in the Gacka River Valley and along the villages at the foot of Velebit, walking trails: Humac-Gacka, marked nountain trail: Otočac – Zavižan, sports fishing on the Gacka River County Folklore Parade, Barkanova Cycling, cho ethno Gacka, Advent in Otočac

OLIVE OIL. An unavoidable and

most used seasoning of the coastal

and island regions. People are all

the more engaged in olive growing,

as seasoning for fish and seafood

and olive oil is daily present at tables

dishes and various cooked and fresh

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SHEEP. The Lika and Pag

taste and odour.

lamb are well-known for their

In accordance with tradition

ire or in a pot mixed with

spit-roasted lamb, kalja or

various types of meat.

Well-known dishes:

boiled lamb, Lika pot.

they are prepared on an open

- The Plitvice Lakes , the biggest, oldest and most visited Croatian national park, declared national park in 1949. Plitvice Lakes National Park was inscribed in the UNESCO World Natural Heritage List in 1979. Its specific beauty is a refuge for nature lovers and an inspiration for artists, and the uniqueness and wealth of its nature are a polygon for scientific research.

– Visitors have at their disposal 7 various visiting programmes which include walking along the trails and small wooden bridges and riding on the panoramic train and electric boat on Lake Kozjak. The panoramic train and the electric boat connect the Lower and Upper Lakes areas and this is included in the entrance price

- Štefanija's Island on Lake Kozjak – an islet thus named in honour of Princess Štefanija, Medvjeđak Mountain Trail arranged and marked trail that leads to the peaks of Oštri Medvjeđak (889 m above sea level, Tupi Medvjeđak (876 m ove sea level and Turčić (801 m above sea level)

Watermill Špoljarić is situated in the village of Korana. It is a cultural heritage building exhibiting the old fashion of grinding wheat.

- Šupljara is a cave situated along the eastern edge of the Lower Lakes, in a limestone canyon above the trail that leads to Lake Kaluđerovac. Education and recreation trails: Čorkova Cove and Plitvica Cycling and mountain trails in Plitvice Lakes National Park and surroundings

> Plitvice Lakes National Park Reservations and questions www.np-plitvicka-jezera.hr

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CHEESE. Sheep, cow and

goat milk from grassy Lika to the

give various types of cheese and

they are used in the preparation

of different varieties of salty and

sweet delicacies. Well-known

cheese: škripavac, basa from

Lika, Krasnarski, Pag cheese

macchia on the island of Pag



the main food that is most often used in preparing Lika dishes. Well-known dishes: potatoes with bacon or ižmari, potatoes in all sauces, popečci, baked potato halves



Features of interest

special traditional building - Nikola Tesla Memorial Centre in Smiljani with the native home of the world famous scientist Nikola Tesla, a replica of the Research Station in Colorado Springs, Tesla's turbine in Vaganac Stream and the prototype of a boat at remote control which was made by Tesla in 1898.

– The memorial centre of the great Croatian historian, politician and deologist, dr. Ante Starčević, Father of the Homeland (1823 - 1896) in the locality of Veliki Žitnik Rizvan City, an adventure centre for excursions in the village of Rizvanuša at the foot of the Velebit range, team building programmes, stimulating

programmes, forest adrenalin park Activities and events

– Gospić Music Summer in June, a rich choice of classical music performed by notable domestic and international musicians.

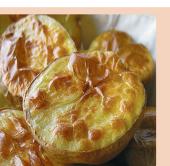
– Likanale, Lika Art Annals has been gathering renowned painters, sculptors, graphic artists and ceramicists since 1966. – Autumn in Lika – an exhibition of tradition and autochtonism of the Lika-Senj County taking place in Gospić at the beginning of October Gospić and Friends Eno-Ethno Culture and Gastronomy Manifestation held in Gospić for Gospić Day on 22 July

manifestation held in August in Gospić - numerous cycling trails, rocks for sports climbing, hunting and fishing /



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> Nikola Tesla Memorial Centre www.mcnikolatesla.hr



 Moto meeting of Crazy Wolfs Moto Club, bikers' meeting, a 3-day **POTATOES.** The potato was and is

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